

**Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation
2012 Buffalo Mountain Natural Area Preserve
Lottery Deer Hunt Information and Application**

The Department of Conservation and Recreation is offering a lottery hunt for white-tailed deer at Buffalo Mountain Natural Area Preserve. Each selected hunter will be assigned two consecutive hunting dates on one of two hunting Zones: Zone 1 - 735 acres, Zone 2 - 140 acres. General firearms hunt dates will be November 19-20 and 26-27; muzzleloader hunt is Dec. 17-18.

Anyone 16 years of age or older may enter the lottery for a chance to participate in this managed deer hunt. Simply complete the application and return it along with the \$5 non-refundable application fee to the **Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation – Division of Natural Heritage** (see address at the bottom of this form). Personal check is the only acceptable method of payment. Successful applicants will be notified by mail within two (2) weeks of the drawing. Applications must be received by 5 PM, Friday, October 12, 2012. **Only one application per person – duplicates will be rejected.**

To participate in the hunt, individuals MUST meet the following requirements:

- **Each hunter must show proof of successfully completing a Hunter Education Course** (contact VDGIIF at 804-367-1000 or at www.dgif.virginia.gov) for course information, dates, and locations.
- Possess issued permit (successful applicants will receive these in the mail; permits will bear the name of the selected applicant (Chief-of-Party) and are to be assigned to each hunter in the party – up to a maximum of eight).
- Be 16 years of age by the date of the hunt; or, if 12-15 years of age on the date of the hunt, be under the direct supervision of a hunting adult. **As with adults, youth hunters must possess a permit and proof of completing a Hunter Ed. Course.**
- Abide by and meet all rules and regulations for the hunt, including but not limited to weapon and ammunition restrictions/specifications, blaze orange requirements, and have all necessary state licenses.
- Render a \$20 non-refundable Natural Area Preserve hunting fee for each permit requested – up to a total of eight (\$160).

REMINDER: THE OPERATION OF ATVs IS PROHIBITED ON ALL DCR PROPERTY

Each applicant selected in the lottery will be randomly assigned one (1) two-day hunting period. Successful applicants will have the option of purchasing either from one (1) up to a total of eight (8) permits for Zone 1, or from one (1) up to a total of three (3) permits for Zone 2. This allows each hunter to form a party consisting of: themselves and up to seven (7) other hunters for Zone 1, and themselves and up to two (2) other hunters for Zone 2. The applicant (Chief-of-Party) will be responsible for all payments to DCR and will distribute permits to each hunt party member. **The \$20 per hunter Natural Area Preserve permit fee is good for the two-day period assigned and must be received by Friday, November 2, 2012.** If payment is not received by this date, your hunt date will be forfeited and that day will be offered to other hunters on a stand-by list. Payment for hunting permits must be in the form of a personal check payable to *Natural Area Preservation Fund*. Checks should be mailed to:

**Attention: Buffalo Mountain Deer Hunt
DCR – Division of Natural Heritage
217 Governor Street
Richmond, Virginia 23219**

After payment is received, each Chief-of-Party will be sent an information packet including maps and hunting permits. Before hunting, each hunter must sign in at the preserve Check-in Station. For more details, call 276-608-8953 or 804-371-6204.

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Name _____
first m.i. last

Address _____
street or p.o. box

_____ city state zip

Phone _____ Date of Birth _____
daytime evening month date year

2012 hunt dates: General Firearms: Nov. 19-20; Nov. 26-27; Muzzleloader Only: Dec. 17-18.

Indicate your choice for Hunt Zone (circle one): Zone 1 (735 Acres, 8 hunters max.) Zone 2 (140 Acres, 3 hunters max.)

Will you accept a muzzleloader ONLY hunt? (circle one): YES NO

You must include a \$5.00 check with this application, payable to *Natural Area Preservation Fund*. Return application by Oct. 12, 2012 to:
Buffalo Mountain Deer Hunt, DCR – Division of Natural Heritage, 217 Governor St., Richmond, VA 23219.

Office Use Only: Date Received _____ Date Entered _____